



Government



There will be a short video lesson of a Knox County teacher to accompany this task available on the KCS YouTube Channel and KCS TV.

**United States Government and Civics
Citizen Participation**

GC.31: Describe what should be reasonably expected from any citizen or resident of the U.S., and explain why it is important for the well-being of the nation, including: (C, P, T)

- Being informed on civic issues
- Obeying the law
- Paying taxes
- Respecting the rights of others
- Serving as a juror
- Serving in the military or alternative service
- Volunteering and performing public service
- Voting

GC.32: Explain the role of political parties in the nomination process for presidential candidates and the importance of and difference between primaries, caucuses, and general elections. (P, T)

GC.33: Describe the role of the media as a means of communicating information and how it influences the importance of issues and public opinion. (P, T)

GC.34: Describe the means that citizens use to participate in the political process, including: (P, T)

- Campaigning
- Demonstrating
- Lobbying
- Petitioning
- Running for office

GC.35: Explain the requirements to be considered a natural-born U.S. citizen, and describe the process of naturalization, including the knowledge required by the Naturalization Test. (P, T)

First, read this [article](#) about what it means to be a citizen.

Next, complete this [activity](#) to differentiate between rights and responsibilities of citizens.

Then, play this [game](#) to test your knowledge of US Citizenship.

Finally, answer the question below using the content you learned in the activities above.

- What are our rights and responsibilities as citizens of the United States and of Tennessee?